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SCHOOL COMMENCEMENT

Splendid Closing Exercises Are Brought to an End

Prof. R. K. Morgan, of the Morgan School at Fayetteville, delivered a forceful baccalaureate sermon at the First Methodist church last Sunday morning. His subject was "Go Ye Into all the World," and it was a practical and very able discourse, dealing largely with the social conditions of the present times. The church was filled to its capacity to hear the sermon.

The commencement exercises included the graduating recital, department of music, Monday night; an operetta, "The Wild Rose," Tuesday evening, and the commencement exercises and annual address, by Dr. G. W. Dwyer, of Vanderbilt University, Wednesday evening.

There were ten graduates in the literary department, ten in the commercial and four in the musical. Miss Charline Scarborough was the valedictorian and Miss Gladys Rhode, the salutatorian.

The advanced music and expression pupils gave a recital last Friday night, which was the opening number of a very successful and interesting closing of a splendid year's work of the Huntingdon High School.

The closing programs were all good and showed much honest work and preparation. Good crowds attended the exercises.

Carzie Young Wins Trip

Carzie Young, of McKenzie, leaves this week for Atlantic City and New York to attend the Prudential Insurance Company convention. Mr. Young has written a hundred thousand dollars worth of insurance or more every year since he has been with the company, and has already written more than \$100,000 this year. Carzie is a Carroll county boy, being born and reared east of McKenzie. He will leave the latter part of this week and will be gone about ten days. This is the fifth time he has won the honor.

CONDUCTOR KILLED

Ben Gibson Dies When Bullet Pierces Brain

Ben Gibson, streetcar conductor, who was shot and fatally wounded in Memphis last Saturday night, is a nephew of Mrs. John Clark and a second cousin of George T. McCall of this city.

Young Gibson, who was just 20 years old, had gotten out of his car to open a switch, when he was attacked by three negroes, who were on his car. The unfortunate man was shot through the head, the ball entering just above the ear. The motorman secured the conductor's pistol and fired into the bunch of negroes, wounding one who was arrested. Another negro, believed to be one of the party, was arrested later. He was also wounded.

There was much talk of mob violence and some demonstrations were made in that direction, but the officers of the law put it down. Gibson was a member of a splendid Mississippi family and his remains were sent to Verona, his home, for burial.

Training School

The Memphis Conference Training School will be held at Jackson, Tenn., June 1-8 in the buildings of the Womans College.

This will be eight days of strenuous Sunday school training for teachers and others interested in Sunday school work.

A splendid feature of the school is that it is open to all denominations desiring a more efficient Sunday school force. Nothing pertaining to the peculiar doctrines of any particular denomination will be taught in this school. It is strictly the business of the Sunday school.

There will be no tuition fees. Just your railroad fare and \$1.00 per day while there.

If interested write us.

D. B. RAULINS,
District Director.

For Returned Soldiers

Applications for the \$80.00 bonus claims to the amount of \$10,000 have already been written in the Red Cross office and most of them have been received. If there is anyone who has had an appli-

cation in for more than two weeks and has not heard from it, he may call and get information as to what steps to take to locate his discharge paper and bonus.

Soldiers and sailors on being discharge are allowed certain articles of uniform. If there is any one who failed to get any or all of these articles, we can tell you how to secure them. Also we are instructed to inform wearers of the uniform that they should not wear it to do work in, but should endeavor to keep it in good condition for special occasions.

Mrs. J. W. MURPHY, Sec.
Home Service Section, A.R.C.

Medal Contest

Vanderbilt University will hold its Founders Medal Contest, May 27. The day is quite an event in the life of the school, it being the anniversary of the establishment of the institution. Poe Maddox, a Huntingdon boy, has been elected as one of the four oratorical contestants for the medal, and he hopes to be successful. It is quite an honor to be one of the contestants for this medal, as only four are selected from the entire student body.

PAID THE PRICE

Tears Off Evacuation Tag and Goes to Front to Die

A former Carroll county boy brought to himself death and citation for the posthumous Distinguished Service Cross by a remarkable breach of discipline.

When a soldier is injured and it is found necessary to send him to the field hospital, an evacuation tag is tied on his uniform. This means that he is out of the fight, no more responsibility rests on him and for him the war is over, temporarily at least.

Lieut. Benjamin I. Perry of the 5th Machine Gun Battalion was in action near Mont Blanc, France, the first week in last October. When he learned that his company commander had been killed and that the second in command had been wounded Lieut. Perry went to the front and "carried on."

Within a few hours he was seriously wounded in the head, and the surgeon, seeing that quick action was necessary to save his life, ordered him to be taken to the hospital and placed, the evacuation tag on his uniform. As soon as the surgeon had gone Lieut. Perry tore off the evacuation tag, destroyed it, and returned to his company in the front line. For 24 hours he commanded their defense, then guided them back out of the trenches after relief had come—and then died.

Lieut. Perry was born and reared in the Twenty-third district of this county, being a son of the late Bud Berry, and a nephew of Robert T. Melear on route 8 out from McKenzie. Lieut. Perry joined the regular army about twenty years ago, and has visited home occasionally since that time.

McLEMORESVILLE ITEMS

All who are interested in beautifying the McLeMORESVILLE cemetery are urged to come on Tuesday, May 27, and help complete the work already begun. They are also requested to come on Saturday, May 31, and bring all the flowers they can, and let us decorate the graves of our loved ones. If you can't come send flowers by a friend and they will be placed where you want them.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee A. Mays, who have been visiting Mrs. Mays' parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. N. Smith, of McLeMORESVILLE, leave this week for Flint, Mich., where Mr. Mays has accepted a position as bookkeeper for the DuPont Co. They will stop over in Akron, Ohio, and spend a few weeks with relatives before going to Michigan.

Miss Myrtle Blake Woods, of McLeMORESVILLE, spent Tuesday night of last week in McKenzie with Misses Pearl and Lillie Garrett, daughters of Prof. J. R. Garrett, of Bethel College, and attended the commencement exercises.

Mrs. W. L. Noel and daughter, Miss Marjorie, spent from Saturday until Monday in Lexington with the family of Will J. Noel.

D. E. Rumley, on route 5, and Mrs. Bessie Lacy, daughters of Andrew Morgan, were married last Saturday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Roberts with whom she was residing at the time.

BADLY BURNED

Explosion of Gasoline Iron Causes Serious Injury

Miss Fay Fowler, 15-year-old daughter of Mrs. Nettie Fowler, of the Twenty-third district, suffered very painful burns last Friday by the explosion of a gasoline iron she was using. A leak was discovered and she stooped over to blow out the blaze, when the explosion occurred, throwing the burning liquid over the girl's face and body.

She saved her life by running out doors and plunging into a tub of water. She was taken to Nashville Saturday for treatment. Latest reports from her bedside in Nashville are that she is not so seriously burned as was at first thought. She is a fine young lady and her many friends regret her misfortune and sympathize with her and her mother.

Edwards--Gibson

Invitations have been received here from Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Neil Gibson, of Decatur, Ala., to the marriage of their daughter, Miss Brookie, to Mr. Perry Jackson Edwards, Tuesday afternoon, June 3, at 2 o'clock, in the First Presbyterian church at Decatur, Ala. The Gibson family formerly resided in Huntingdon, but moved to Decatur twelve or fourteen years ago. The accomplished daughter has many friends here. The groom-to-be is a Birmingham boy and recently returned from overseas service in the army, in which he was an officer.

Miss Margaret Scruggs, of Gibson, is visiting her aunt, Mrs. Bruce Cooper.

CENTENARY CAMPAIGN

Opened Sunday Night With Great Speech by Judge Jones

The centenary campaign for the Methodist church, south, was inaugurated here Sunday night at the Methodist church with an eloquent address by Judge Joseph E. Jones, of Dresden. Judge Jones was in fine trim and made a great speech that was listened to with much interest by a very large audience.

John T. Peeler, campaign director for the Lexington district, presided, and after explaining the object of the drive, introduced the speaker. Judge Jones is a pleasing speaker and keeps his audience interested and in a happy mood.

The local committees are at work this week, but we are not advised as to the degree of success they are meeting with.

In the larger cities of the state the quotas have already been reached, but at this writing the Lexington district and the Memphis conference have not reached the amounts assigned them. It is believed, however, that they will do so before the campaign closes.

Douglas--Webb

Of a quiet nature was the marriage of Miss Elenna Webb to Dr. Roy A. Douglas, which took place last night in the parlors of the Immanuel Baptist church in the presence of a few friends and relatives. The occasion, however, was of the keenest interest as the couple is both prominent and popular. Each are graduates of Vanderbilt, the groom having been an honor graduate of the medical school of the 1916 class.

There were only two attendants.

These were a matron of honor, Mrs. Albert Hoffman, and the best man, Dr. Sterling B. Hinton, Rev. Preston was the officiating minister.

The bride was gowned for traveling in a very smart suit of midnight blue. Her corsage bouquet was of roses and lilies of the valley. She is a young woman of many charming characteristics and culture and is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Webb of this city.

Dr. and Mrs. Douglas left last night for a stay of several weeks at Asheville N. C., and on returning to Tennessee they will go to Huntingdon to reside. Dr. Douglas has only recently returned from a two years' service overseas, where he did duty as a captain in the medical corps.—Friday's Nashville Tennessean.

Dr. Douglas is a Huntingdon physician, who enlisted in the war and won a British cross for bravery in overseas service. He recently returned from France and has renewed his partnership relations with Dr. B. C. Dodds in the practice of medicine. He and his bride will be at home to their friends in Huntingdon after June 1. The Democrat extends congratulations and wishes for them much happiness in their married life.

NEW MCKENZIE BANK

Other Items of Interest in a Progressive Town

A new bank has been established at McKenzie. The state banking department has granted a permit to the Commercial Bank of McKenzie to begin business, and the organization was perfected last Friday. The new bank has taken over the old Citizens State Bank of that city and will have its quarters in the building formerly occupied by the old bank. The new bank has a capital stock of \$30,000 and a reserve fund of \$15,000. N. B. Moore is president, C. M. Wrinkle, vice-president, and Guy Alexander, cashier. The bank is officered by splendid business men and starts off with a large deposit and fine prospects.

The McKenzie Bank, one of the strongest institutions in the county, is making preparations to remodel, enlarge and refurnish its building, which will better enable that institution to meet the demands placed upon it by its greatly increased business. With two strong banking institutions McKenzie will be in fine shape to do its part in meeting the reconstruction problems that are to confront the business interests of the county.

The eighty-ninth general assembly of the Cumberland Presbyterian church held its annual session at Fayetteville, Ark., last week. McKenzie was selected as the next meeting place. At its meeting last week the general assembly announced for the erection of a Cumberland Presbyterian college to cost \$500,000, the location to be decided upon later. Bethel College is now the leading institution of learning under the control of that church, and McKenzie would be an ideal place for the location of the church school, and the general assembly might do worse than to spend its money on this plant.

High School Board

The Carroll County High School Board is called to meet at Huntingdon on Monday, May 26, for the purpose of electing teachers for the next school year and to transact any other necessary business. High school teachers are asked to be present. May 26 is the date.

D. T. BARNHILL,
Secretary High School Board.

Ford--Bodkin

Willie Ford, of near Christmasset, and Miss Frances Bodkin, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Bodkin, of Milan, were married at the home of the bride, Rev. E. T. Beard, pastor of the Presbyterian church, performing the ceremony in the presence of immediate friends. The groom is a prosperous young farmer.

Morrison--Dunlap

Lieut. Kent V. Morrison and Miss Geneva Dunlap were happily married in Paris at the home of Rev. W. D. Pickens. The bride is a McKenzie girl, while the groom is of Ft. Worth, Tex. They left immediately after the ceremony for Nashville and other points before returning to their Texas home.

REPUBLICANS IN CONTROL

Congress Convenes With the President in Europe

Congress convened in extraordinary session last Monday at noon. President Wilson issued the call from France and the message was delivered by cable.

Both houses were organized by republicans and the opening of the session marked the return to power of that party and loss by democrats of control over the national legislative body.

The republicans for the first time since 1911 have majorities in both branches of congress. In the house they have a margin of about 40 votes, but in the senate their majority is only two.

With President Wilson, a democrat, the change in political complexion of congress presents a situation similar to that during the last two years of former President Taft's administration, when there was a democrat house, and to President Cleveland's administration, in which there was a republican congress.

Representative Gillette, of Massachusetts, republican, was elected speaker of the house. Albert B. Cummins, of Iowa, was elected president pro tempore of the senate. The republican slate, in both houses, in the naming of officers was carried out.

This is an important session of congress and many big questions will be up for consideration.

Priestly--Ridings

Sunday afternoon at the Christian church Miss Anna Priestly of Gulfport, Miss., who has held a position for the past two seasons with the Style Millinery store of this place, was united in marriage to Sergt. Fred Ridings, who was here on a furlough, Eld. J. L. Holland officiating. The groom is one of McKenzie's popular young men, and has been in the service for the past three years. The bride is very popular here and has many relatives here. The News joins their many friends in congratulations.—Greenfield News.

TREZEVANT DOINGS

New Drainage District — Bond Sales—Educational Fund

Another drainage district is proposed in a petition being circulated in the Trezevant community. It is proposed to drain what is known as the lower Reedy Creek Bottom, beginning at the Miller road between Trezevant and Huntingdon and emptying into the Obion river ditch near Jarrell, on the L. & N. railroad north of Trezevant. There are many hundreds of acres of fine bottom land in this district, and if the district is organized and the project carried out all this good land will be opened up. J. M. Smith and W. L. Algea are working on the district and it is said there is but little if any real opposition.

As a result of a campaign put on in the Trezevant community through the congregation of the Cumberland Presbyterian church for christian education, more than \$1,200 were subscribed for the purpose. The pastor, the Rev. R. H. Jackson, was instrumental in raising the fund. Members gave from \$10 to \$200 each and the money will be used in furthering the interests of christian education in the C. P. church in the state.

The Trezevant district which was asked for about \$25,000 in the Victory Loan drive, bought her allotment. J. M. Swinney, a farmer who lives near town, offered the biggest amount, which was \$7,000. Carroll county, a county one of the poorer of the state, has bought bonds and contributed to war demands more than \$400,000. A million dollars has gone over the top in every form, a record her citizens are proud of. In each of the Trezevant has done her full share and the community is proud of efforts along this line.

Mrs. Lucy Hawkins received telegram yesterday morning that her son, Landis, had landed in New York. This will be good news to Landis' many friends in Huntingdon and Carroll county.

Advice Free

There is nothing so cheap as advice, more especially if you are not particular about the kind. There is so much advice afloat that even the humblest can have a plenty. From the street corner orator to the housewife's admonition to the neighbor over the back yard fence, advice, free as air, is always in circulation. There are many grades of advice, but the kind most valued is the kind that is SOUGHT. The banker handles money and is in touch with financial deals of many kinds. Are you a patron of the bank? Do you need advice? Would you like to know what someone thinks who ought to be in a position to know something about business deals? The banker is busy with his own affairs, but he is not too busy to give you his frank opinion if you ask for it. That is the kind of advice that is worth having, the kind asked for, and even that kind does not cost you anything.

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